GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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CONSUMPTION OF PETROL & PETROLEUM PRODUCTS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to minimise the consumption of petrol and other petroleum products;

(b) whether the opinion of public and industrialists have been sought and considered before taking decision in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the impact of rules and regulations issued recently on the consumption of petrol and petroleum products have been evaluated; and

(e) if so, the outcome thereof?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas

(Sh. Santosh Kumar Gangwar)
(a) to (e) Various steps taken to minimize the consumption of petroleum products focus on their conservation in the industrial, transport, agricultural and domestic sectors of the economy. These include adopting practices conducive to increased fuel efficiency, curbing wasteful practices, promoting proper oil handling, operating and maintenance practices, promoting use of fuel efficient equipments, irrigation pumpsets Kerosene and LPG stoves and lighting devices in the industrial, agricultural and domestic sectors respectively. Extensive multi-media campaigns are run to generate awareness. In addition, energy audits and fuel oil diagnostic studies are conducted apart from organization of workshops ,consumer meets and seminars. R&D projects designed to improve efficiency are promoted. An extensive networking approach through industrial associations, chambers of commerce, institutions, NGOs involved at all tiers of Government, panchayats, Mahila Mandals, Youth Forums, Resident Welfare Associations and so on has been adopted to spread message of conservation nationwide.